Reservation in education and Government jobs

677. SHRI CHIMANBHAI MEHTA:
SHRI ANATRAY DEVSHANKER DAVE:
SHRI SARADA MOHANTY:

Will the Minister of WELFARE be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government have considered the implications of the Supreme Court verdict on Tamilnadu Medical College admissions restricting them to 0 per cent ceiling; and

(b) whether Government propose to reconsider its position on giving 9th Schedule constitutional protection to irrational above 50 per cent quota to sections categorised as backward classes or reservation in education and Government jobs in view of the above verdict?

THE MINISTER OF WELFARE (SHRI SITARAM KESHRI): (a) and (b) The Supreme Court has referred the matter of providing reservation in excess of 50 per cent ceiling in Tamil Nadu to a Constitutional Bench. Final verdict of the Supreme Court is still awaited. Only when the final verdict is pronounced can further action on the matter be considered.

[The Vice-Chairman, (Shri V. Narayanasamy in the Chair]

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Papers to be laid on the Table.

SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN: Sir, I have a point of order.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Kindly let us take up the regular listed business. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL (Bihar): Sir, this is a very important thing.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Kindly bear with me. Now, Papers to be Laid on the Table. (*Interruptions*).

SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN: Sir, please give me one minute. I have a point of order. (*Interruptions*).

SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Please give me second. (Interruptions)

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Kindly bear with me. (Interruptions).

SHRIMATI JAYANTHI NATARAJAN: Sir, I have a point of order.

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): I am sorry. Papers to be Laid on the Table.

SHRI INDER KUMAR GUJRAL: Today's news about Prime Minister's health... (Interruptions). We want the Government to make a statement. We are feeling very worried, concerned and anxious. It is of extreme importance. What is the position? (Interruptions).

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): Papers to be Laid on the Table.

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : गुजराल साहब ने जो कहा है इस पर सरकार की ओर से वक्तव्य होना चाहिए ।...

THE VICE-CHAIRMAN (SHRI V. NARAYANASAMY): I have called the Papers to be Laid on the Table.

श्री शंकर दयाल सिंह : ठीक है लेकिन जो पेपर में आया है वह बड़ा इम्पारटेंट है, सरकार की ओर से इस पर बयान होना चाहिए ।